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I am a programmer with 20 years experience. The proposed settlement with Microsoft is pathetic- the real message is that MS is free to continue its anti-competitive practices. In the process it makes the US government look incompetent- and the US government is supposed to be MY representative in this business.

Your lack of vigorous prosecution of this case will ultimately cost this country by making its software industry less competitive and therefore opening the door to other non-US companies. The current settlement brings disgrace on our government since it is clear that there is neither an understanding of the world of computers nor a desire to obtain that expertise.

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